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With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. At least some of the references were recently cited in an International Search Report mailed November 5, 2003.

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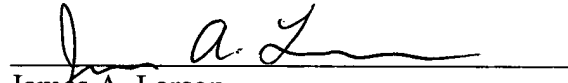
Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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 <p><b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</b></p> <p><b>IN AN APPLICATION</b></p> <p>(Use several sheets if necessary)</p>	<p>Docket Number:</p> <p>2968.233USU1</p>	<p>Application Number:</p> <p>10/613,186</p>
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
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	3,604,549	09/14/1971	Caudill et al.				
	4,468,139	08/28/1984	Hattori				
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
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